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SINCE the former Democratic "organ" of this city has abandoned its principles and become a Populistic mouthpiece, it eagerly seizes upon every falsehood that is afloat to bolster up its rotten cause. Unmindful of the axiom that "A half truth is a whole lie," that paper a few days ago printed an extract be difficult to show where and why the from a speech of the late JAMES G. BLAINE to prove that he was in favor of the Free Silver foolishness that is now agitating the country. THE LEDGER as well as several others from the same speech of the Maine statesman; and they show that he occupied just the same ground on the financial question that the Populist organ itself occupied only one short month ago. Mr. BLAINE'S utterances are immortal; the Populistic lies about him come home to roost.

THERE is effort in some quarters to create the belief that there is lack of harmony in the Republican Campaign Committee of this state. Nothing is farther from the truth-excepting it be that Free Silver coinage will remedy the ills of the body politic. So far as the members of that Committee are concerned, and indeed so far as leading Republicans all over the state are concorned, there is but one sentiment-s united effort to carry Kentucky for Mc-KINLEY, Sound Money and Protection to American Labor. The Chairman of the Campaign Committee, Elitor Sam J. ROBERTS, has given out a statement in which he says:

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Ledger HON. JAMES G. BLAINE ON SILVER.

Congress Garbled by Speeches Other Populist Papers.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The Populists have recently distri-

buted in Indiana a large number of handbills centaining the purported expressions of the late Secretary Blaine on the silver question: "The greatest Republican statesman," as he is called in the handbills, is quoted as unconditionally opposed to the gold standard, and it is made to appear that the distinguished statesman would have repudiated the St. Louis platform if he had been alive today. The hand bill purports to quote from a speech delivered by Mr. Blaine in 1880, but Mr. Blaine made no speech on the money question in that year, and the author of the hand-bill is willfully misleading. The paragraphs in question, however, are found in a speech delivered by Mr. Blaine in the United States Senate February 7th, 1878. Standing alone, these paragraphs make it appear that Mr. Blaine was a rabid anti-gold man, but when read in the order in which they appear in the text the dishonesty of the authors of the hand-bill appears. The Senate had under consideration House Bill 1093, to authorize the free coinage of the standard silver dollar and to restore its legal tender character. Almost at the outset of his speech Mr. Blaine said-and this is part of the quotation in the Indiana

'No power was conferred on Congress o declare that either metals should be money. Congress has, therefore, in my judgment, no power to demonetize silver any more than to demonetize gold; no power to demonetize either any more than to demonetize both. Few persons can be found, I apprehend, who will maintain that Congress possesses the power to demonetize both gold and sil ver, or that Congress could be justified in prohibiting the coinage of both; and yet in logic and legal construction it would power of Congress over silver is greater than over gold-greater over either than over the two. If, therefore, silver has been demonetized, I am in favor of remonetizing it. If its coinage has been prohibited, I am in favor of ordering it to be resumed. If it has been restricted. am in favor of having it enlarged.'

Read by itself, this appears to be a pretty strong denunciation of the action of Congress, smacking strongly of the 'crime of '73'' order of oratory which has been flooding Congress for years past. In the very next paragraph Mr.

'However men may differ about causes and prices, all will admit that within a few years a great disturbance has taken place in the relative values of gold and silver, and that silver is worth less or gold is worth more in the money markets of the world in 1878 than in 1873, when the further coinage of silver dollars was prohibited in this Congress. To remonetize it now as though the facts and circumstances of that day were surrounding us, is to willfully and blindly deceive ourselves. If our demonetization were the only cause for the decline in the value of silver, then remonetization would be its proper and effectual cure. But other causes beyond our control have been far more potentially operative than the simple fact of Congress prohibiting its further coinage; and us legislators we are bound to take cognizance of these causes. The demonetization of silver in the great German Empire and the consequent partial, or well nigh complete, suspension of men, and two as original McKinley Union have been the leading dominant

REMONETIZATION IMPRACTIGABLE. Mr. Blaine then gave his reasons why the remenetization of silver is impracticable, and was so unpatrietic as to base to BRADLEY in the Presidential contest, his objections on the non-concurrence and want of co-operation of the Euro-

mathematically demonstrated that the "By our line of policy, in a joint movement with other Nations, to remonetize is very simple and very direct. The difficult problem is, what we shall do when we aim to re-establish silver without a cooperation of European powers, and really as an advance movement to coerce them there into the same policy. Evidently the first dictate of prudence is to coin such a dollar as will, not only do justice among other citizens at home, but will prove a protection, an absolute barricade against the gold monometallists of Europe who, whenever the opportunity offers.

"It is for us to bring the continent of against the gold monometallists of Europe and well as a medium of the value of the metal as a medium of the sagning the colinage of silver dollars has a cold. Will. Rail. The same offect will inevitably follow from Germantown—October 7th, four days.

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will quickly draw from us the \$160,000, 000 of gold coin still in our midst. And if we coin a silver dollar of full legal tender, obviously below the current value of the gold dollar, we are opening wide our doors and inviting Europe to take our gold. And with our gold flewing out from us we are forced to the single silver standard, and our relations with the leading commercial countries of the world are at once embarrassed and crippled."

When Mr. Blaine delivered this speech the silver contained in a standard silver dollar was worth 92 cents in gold, instead of 52 cents as now. Although th's was a difference of 40 cents in favor of the silver dollar of 1878 as compared with that of 1896, Mr. Blaine called attention to the disparity of the metallic ratio. He says:

"The question before Congress, then,

sharply defined in the pending House

bill, is whether it is now safe and expedient to offer free coinage to the silver dollar of 412; grains with the Mints of the Latin Union closed and Germany not permitting silver to be coined as money. At current rates of silver, the free coinage of a dollar containing 4124 grains, worth in gold about 92 cents, gives an illegitimate profit to the owner of the bullion, enabling him to take 92 cents worth of it to the Mint and get it stamped as coin and force his neighbor to take it for a full dollar. This is an undue and an unfair advantage which the Government has no right to give to the owner of silver bullion, and which defrauds the man who is forced to take the dollar. And it assuredly follows that if we give free coinage to this dollar of inferior value and put it in circulation, we do so at the expense of our better coinage of gold; and unless we expect the uniform and invariable experience of other Na tions to be in some mysterious way suspended for our peculiar benefit, we inevitably lose our gold coin. It will flow out force of the tides. Gold has, indeed, re- power, and therefore equal in value, to during the circulation of the inferior cur- that the dollar bearing the Mint mark of cause there were two great uses reserved by law for gold, the collection of customs and the payment of interest on the public debt. But if the inferior silvericoin is also to be used for the e two reserved purposes, then gold has no tie to bind to us. What gain, therefore, would the campaign now, and the widest pubwe make for the circulating medium, if, in opening the gate for silver to flow in, we open a still wider gate for gold to flow out? If I were to venture upon a dictum on the silver question, I would declare that until Europe remonetizes we cannot afford to coin a dollar as low as 4123 grains."

INTERNATIONAL BIMETALLISM.

A little further or Mr. Blaine said: "Consider further what injustice would be done to every holder of a legal tender or National Bank note. That vast volume of paper money-over \$700,000,000 -is now worth between 98 cents and 99 cents on the dollar in gold coin. The holders of it, who are indeed our entire population, from the poorest to the wealthiest, have been promised from the hour of its issue that the paper money one day would be as good as gold. To pay silver for the greenback is a full compliance with this promise and this obligation, provided the silver is made, as it always has been hitherto, as good as gold. To make our silver coin even 3 per cent. less valuable than gold inflicts coinage in the Governments of the Latin a loss of more than \$20,000,000 on the holders of our paper money. To make a causes for the rapid decline in the value silver dollar worth but 92 cents precipitates on the same class a less of well nigh \$60,000,000. For, whatever the value of the silver dollar is, the whole paper issue of the country will sink to its standard when its coinage is authorized and its circulation becomes general in the channels of trade. And yet it is almost mathematically demonstrated that the

on the public credit. My own view on this question can be stated very briefly. I believe the public creditor can afford to be paid in any silver dollar that the United States can afford to coin and circulate. We have \$40,000,000,000 of propculate. We have \$40,000,000,000 of property in this country, and a wise selfinterest will not permit us to overturn its
relations by seeking for an inferior dollar
wherewith to settle the dues and demands of any creditor. The question
might be different from a morally selfish
standpoint if, on paying the dollar to the

public creditor, it would disappear after which you pay at home will stay there; that which you send abroad will come back. The interest of the public creditor indissolubly bound up with the interest of the whole people. Whatever affects him affects us all; and the evil that we might inflict on him by paying an inferior dollar would recoil upon us with a vengeance as manifold as the aggregate wealth of the Republic transcends the THE "TWIN COMET" comparatively small limits of our bonded

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HOW THEY WILL BE AFFECTED BY FREE COINAGE.

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sociations are not likely to be deceived by the arguments of the advocates of free coinage at the ratio of 16 to 1. Their sentiments were voiced in a very decided E. way in the resolutions adopted by the National Building and Loan Convention Philadelphia last week. In these resolutions the Convention declared that the interests of all shareholders of Building and Loan Associations in the United States demand that the present standard of values, upon which our monetary system has been based since the resumption of specie payments in 1879, shall remain unchallenged and inviolate; that the in terests of every class in the community, and especially those of the great wageearning class, imperatively demand that every dollar in circulation, whether coin from us with the certainty and resistless or paper, shall be equal in purchasing the ne mained with us in considerable amount every other, and that patriotism demands rency of the legal tender, but that was the United States shall be the equal of the dollar of the most advanced Nations and entitled to full faith and credit all over the world, and to that end it must be maintained free from all suspicion, debasement or repudiation. Declarations of this character will do much good in

KENTUCKY FAIRS.

licity should be given to them, as a means

of helping to make the way clear for

wavering voters.

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Following are the places and dates determined for Kentucky Fairs for the

present year. Secretaries are respectfully requested to send in dates for additional announce ments, and to make such corrections as may be necessary to complete the list:

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Versailles-Week beginning August 10th. Bullitt County, at Shepherdsville-August 11th, four days.

Lawrenceburg-August 11th, four days. Springfield-Week beginning August 17th. Fern Creek Farmers' and Fruit Growers Association, near Louisville-August 18th, three days. Lebanon-Week beginning August 24th.

Shelby County-August 25th, four days.

Madisonville-August 26th, four days.

Bardstown-Week beginning August 31st. Williamsburg-September 2d, three days. Bowling Green-Week beginning September Elizabethtown-September 8th, four days.

Ewing-Four days, beginning September 9th. Knox County Fair Association-September 9th, three days. Franklin-Week beginning September 14th.

Horse Cave-September 15th, four days. Paducah-Week beginning September 21st. Open date (probably Henderson)-September 28th. Glasgow-September 30th, four days

standpoint if, on paying the dollar to the public creditor, it would disappear after performing that function. But the trouble is that the inferior dollar you pay the public creditor remains in circulation, to the exclusion of the better dollar. That which you pay at home will stay there; traces of iron.

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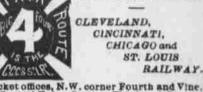
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